

EXCURSION BOAT TAKES FIRE

FIVE HUNDRED WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE BURNED AND DROWNED

AWFUL SCENE ON BOARD BURNING STEAMER.

Many Little Ones Are Lost —Heroes Die Trying to Save Lives.

NEW YORK, June 15.—Laden with a thousand excursionists, mostly women and children, the big steamer General Slocum caught fire in the waters of Hell Gate today and from 300 to 500 persons perished in the flames or were drowned.

It is impossible to more than estimate the loss of life.

The disaster is the most appalling that has ever occurred in New York harbor and is made more distressing by the fact that most of those who lost their lives were women or children of tender ages.

CHURCH EXCURSION.

The excursion was given under the auspices of St. Mark's German Lutheran Church, of which Rev. George C. F. Haas is pastor. The General Slocum left her pier at the foot of Third street a few minutes after 9 o'clock. The steamer proceeded up East river, every deck crowded with merry-makers, the band playing and flags flying. The Slocum had reached a point, the Sunken Meadows, at the extreme eastern end of Randall's island, when fire broke out in the lunchroom in the bows. Members of the crew endeavored to extinguish the flames. Their efforts were unavailing and in an incredibly short time the fire gained uncontrollable headway. Columns of smoke rolled back through the crowded decks. The flames followed instantly and a wild panic ensued. Hemmed in by the rocks of Hell Gate, the captain was unable to turn his vessel in the channel and crowding on all steam he made for North Brothers island, directly ahead. According to the best evidence, no attempts were made to lower boats or life-rafts.

FIRST RUSH.

With the first rush of smoke and

fire, those on the forward deck were driven back and many persons were crushed against the rails and pushed overboard.

As the panic spread many sprang over the rail, at first by twos and threes, and then as the fire rushed aft they went over by dozens. Crazy parents threw children overboard and followed themselves, only to drown in the swift waters of Hell Gate. As with her engines driving her at full speed the big vessel churned toward the beach of North Brothers island she left a train of dark forms in her wake and how many thus perished probably will never be known.

Before she was beached the crowded hurricane deck gave way and precipitated hundreds into the fiery furnace between decks, already choked with a struggling panic-stricken mass of women and children.

BLAST FOR HELP.

The continuous blasts of the Slocum's siren brought dozens of tugs and small craft to her side and the work of rescue was quick and daring. Some of the tugs stuck to her side until they themselves were afire or were driven off by the leaping flames.

When the steamer was beached quite a distance of open water lay between her and the shore and here many persons perished either in the flames or were drowned in the effort to reach shore.

THE SLOCUM.

When the alarm was turned into police headquarters and the appalling extent of the accident became known, the police reserves of all the nearby stations were called out, all the available patrol wagons hurried to the scene and the hospitals in the northern part of the

city each sent all the available surgeons and nurses. At 1 o'clock several of the hospitals were compelled to turn away the injured, their accommodations being already crowded. Most of the rescued are badly burned and many will die.

The Slocum burned to the water's edge after she was beached.

CAPTAIN ARRESTED.

NEW YORK, June 15.—Captain William Van Schaick, who commanded the Slocum, has been arrested.

THE DISASTER.

NEW YORK, June 15.—Five hundred persons, mostly children, perished today by the burning of the excursion steamer General Slocum, near Hell Gate, in the East river.

The Slocum, with the annual Sunday School excursion of St. Mark's German Lutheran Church of this city on board, was proceeding up the river to one of the many resorts of Long Island sound. When near One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street persons on shore saw smoke and flames spring from the upper part of the crowded steamer.

PANIC ON BOARD.

A panic ensued on the boat almost instantly. The crowds on the forward deck began to spring overboard or to crowd to the after part of the boat. The screams of the terrified passengers could be heard on shore and hundreds of small boats immediately put off to the rescue. Owing to the rocks on either side of the channel at this point it had been impossible to beach the vessel. The captain stuck to his post at the wheel and headed the vessel straight up the river to North Brothers Island, where she was put aground in the shallow water.

Several hundred feet of open water still laid between the burning steamer and the shore and many persons perished either in the water or on the burning vessel after she had been beached.

TWO THOUSAND ON BOARD.

It was estimated that the steamer carried more than 2000 persons. She was the largest excursion steamer in these waters and could carry 4000 passengers.

There are forty bodies on North Brothers Island, eighteen on the fireboat Zophermills and eleven on

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METCALF OFFERED A PLACE IN THE CABINET.

President Roosevelt Tenders Him the Commerce and Labor Portfolio —Aspirants for His Seat.

(Special to the Tribune.)

WASHINGTON, June 15.—It can be stated positively that President Roosevelt has tendered Hon. Victor H. Metcalf the Commerce and Labor portfolio in the Cabinet now held by Secretary Cortelyou. The tender is conditional on the retirement of Secretary Cortelyou to accept the Chairmanship of the National Committee. This is certain, however, which makes the offer of a Cabinet position to Mr. Metcalf an absolute certainty. As Mr. Cortelyou expects to retire directly after the Chicago convention, the President has requested Mr. Metcalf to wire him promptly whether he will accept or not.

Contrary to general impression, the President has not heretofore signified to Mr. Metcalf his intention of naming him for a Cabinet office, but for some time the talk among the President's political intimates has been to the effect that the tender was a practical certainty. It would probably have been deferred, however, till after the Presidential election, but for the recent events culminating in the retirement of Knox to enter the Senate and the selection of Cortelyou to manage the campaign.

At the White House Mr. Metcalf's acceptance is regarded as certain, although it is recognized that he will relinquish brilliant political prospects by abandoning his seat in the House and his commanding position on the Ways and Means Committee. He is in line also for the Senatorial succession. But a Cabinet position has become of such great honor and influence with the growth of the nation in wealth and power that few can decline one when it is offered.

It can be said that the President made his tender to Mr. Metcalf without solicitation on his part, or suggestion from Metcalf's friends, and without knowing whether it would be accepted or not. Generally no such offer is directly made till the recipient has been sounded and his intentions ascertained.

Moody will surrender the Naval portfolio to take Knox's position as Attorney-General, but will retire from the Cabinet of his own free will next March, to resume the practice of the law. Congressman Day of West Virginia, ranking member of the Naval Committee, will probably succeed Moody. This seems to be regarded as certain. Dayton, if appointed now, will remain in the Cabinet during the next Administration. Ex-Speaker David B. Henderson of Iowa is likely to be appointed Attorney-General in the new Cabinet. If he does not, Thomas H. Carter of Montana may be appointed Secretary of the Interior to succeed Hitchcock, who is booked for retirement. Snaw may relinquish the Treasury portfolio to Senator Cullom of Illinois. But much of this is speculation. The retirement of Moody will leave New England without a representative in the Cabinet, and no slate can be made up that does give a place to the Northeastern States. When Moody and Knox go out, there will not be a Cabinet officer from the great group of States including Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and New England. This group generally has two or three Cabinet officers.

Cortelyou, who is to be made Postmaster-General next March, is credited to New York, but he does not represent the Republican organization of that State.

WHAT METCALF SAYS.

Congressman Metcalf was in his office as usual this morning when a TRIBUNE reporter called and asked if he had received from the President the tender of a Cabinet position.

"I am not in a position to either affirm or deny the report," he replied. "and therefore must decline to discuss the matter. Whatever is made public in regard to it must come from the President."

"In case the tender is made will you accept?"

"I must decline, to make any statement under the circumstances," was the response.

Shortly after Mr. Metcalf went to San Francisco, possibly to escape the stream of callers and possibly to consult with political friends.

In case he decides to accept the honor which the Washington correspondent of THE TRIBUNE says has been tendered him, he will not, of course, run for Congress again. He was to have been renominated by acclamation.

His retirement at this time would provoke a lively contest for his place. Senators, Lukens, Knowland and Leavitt, of this country, all have an eye on Congress. Senator Belshaw of Contra Costa is also an aspirant, and District Attorney Frank Devlin of Solano would be apt to shy his oar in the ring. Lukens, Belshaw, Knowland and Devlin are all candidates for the Senate, but they would gladly drop legislative aspirations for higher game.

If Metcalf resigns to enter the Cabinet it will be necessary for the Governor to call a special election to fill the vacancy. The Governor would probably call the special election for the same day that the general election is held. Hence the regular and unexpired terms would be voted on at the same time. The primaries to elect delegates to nominate a Congressman will be held in August, which will allow abundant time for the several candidates to work up a lively campaign.

CANNON REPORTS ARE HEARD.

TOKIO, June 15, 3:30 p. m.—Reports of cannonading have been received here from various points, such as Chikuzen province, Okinawa and Tsushima, but the exact nature of the operations of the Russian Vladivostok squadron is not disclosed. It is probable that the Russian vessels surprised and captured three transports which left Shimonoseki today for the army bases in Korea and China. The course of these vessels would take them close to the place where the Russian ships were seen. It is possible also that the Russians are pushing merchantmen and the cannonading reported is a result of such pursuits.

The Japanese warships in the vicinity are hurrying to the scene. Sasebo is being closed. There is a strong possibility that a naval engagement will take place soon. No Southern Japanese city is exposed to attack, but the Russian raid may prove expensive to shipping.

CRUISER DID NOT TAKE CHANCES.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The Japanese legation today received a cablegram from the Foreign Office at Tokio stating that the Russian cruiser Novik emerged from Port Arthur yesterday and engaged a number of Japanese torpedo boat destroyers. The commander of the destroyers endeavored to secure a chase from the Novik, but, after pursuing the boats for a short distance the cruiser returned safely to port.

CITY IS PUTTING IN ITS CASE.

Many Affidavits Were Read in the Circuit Court This Morning.

This was Oakland's day in the case of the Contra Costa Water Company vs. the city of Oakland, in which the company seeks, in the United States Circuit Court in San Francisco, Judge Gilbert presiding, to enjoin the city from enforcing the water rates ordered in the ordinance passed by the Council of this city, May 31st.

Affidavits were filed in behalf of the defendant, by Mayor Olney, Councilmen Dornin, Wallace Pendleton, Elliot, McAdams, Bacus, Meese, Aiken, and Messrs. Sol Kahn, James Moffitt, R. H. Chamberlain, and Engineers Luther Wagoner, William Ham Hall, and M. E. Miller. There were no affidavits by Councilmen Cuvellier and Fitzgerald because they are absent from this city.

The Contra Costa Water Company was represented by Attorney Garrett McEnerney and Ex-Judge John Garber.

The city was represented by Mayor Olney, City Attorney McElroy and Attorneys William R. Davis and R. M. Fitzgerald.

Among the interested spectators were Charles Webb Howard, president of the Spring Valley Water Company

of San Francisco, and M. B. Kellogg, counsel for that company.

THE DECISION.

Before the close of the case, today Judge Gilbert announced that he would hand down a decision in the matter at bar, a couple of days in advance of July 1st, at which date the proposed water rates which are sought to be enjoined, would go into effect.

The opening was made by W. R. Davis.

Attorney Davis—"Thus far, your honor has considered matters of fact. I suppose it will be proper for me to read the answers of the defendant to the bill of complaint. I will read the answer of defendant, Dornin, who is the president of the Council of the City of Oakland. The answer comes that the value of the Contra Costa Water Co. is \$3,000,000 or of any greater sum than \$3,000,000.

McEnerney—"That is the sum on which you have based your computations as to the 6 per cent return.

Attorney Davis—"Yes, that, your honor may have a sufficient understanding of what is meant by the Oakland Division. I will state that the Oakland (Continued on Page 2.)

RUSSIANS HAVE MET THE JAPS.

Naval Battle is Said to be in Progress in Korean Straits.

LONDON, June 15.—A dispatch to the Central News from Tokio filed this afternoon says a naval engagement is now in progress off Tsushima Island, in the Korean straits, between three Russian cruisers, which escaped from Vladivostok and a number of Japanese ships.

No details have yet been received. The dispatch adds that the Vladivostok squadron was first reported June 14 from Okinawa (off Kio, Japan, in the Sea of Japan.) Later in the day cannonading was heard northwest of Nagao, (on the Japanese coast, in the straits of Korea.)

The capture of a Japanese merchant ship reports this morning that his ship was fired upon by a Russian warship. Heavy cannonading was heard early this morning in the neighborhood of Okinawa and subsequently came news of the engagement already referred to in the Tokio dispatch.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 15, 3:55 p. m.—No information is obtainable here regarding the reported engagement between the Russian Vladivostok squadron and a Japanese squadron in the Korean straits. But it is quite likely that a naval fight has occurred or is about to occur. Vice-Admiral Skrydloff has left Vladivostok with the cruisers Gromobol, Rossiya and Rurik and some torpedo craft.

As this fact is already known abroad, the Associated Press betrays no confidence of the authorities here in making this definite announcement.

If the report that the Russian protected cruiser Novik made a sortie from Port Arthur yesterday is true, it demonstrates that the entrance is free and doubtless was preliminary to the egress of the whole squadron for the purpose of effecting a juncture with Skrydloff's squadron. The news of a decisive sea battle may therefore arrive at any hour.

Before Admiral Skrydloff left Vladivostok the Russian protected cruiser Bogatyr, which went on the rocks off Cape Gamova, was hauled off and towed into the harbor of Vladivostok. She is now in dock there.



GENERAL KUROKI.

ADMINISTRATOR'S AND CREDITORS AUCTION SALE.

We have received instructions to sell the fine furniture, pianos, carpets, china-ware, etc., of J. Perkins and W. A. Snow. Sale, Friday, June 17, at 10:30 a. m., at 958 Franklin street, near Tenth, Oakland.

Comprising in part: One of the finest lots of chinaware ever offered in Oakland at public auction, one fine upright piano, one square piano, 600 yards of Brussels carpet and linoleum, oak bedroom suites, chambered and brass beds, top beds, pillows, folding bed, mailer suites, odd parlor pieces, lace curtains, ranges, etc., etc.

Antique Furniture—We have some choice pieces belonging to an estate, comprising antique mahogany sideboards, what-nots, tables, pictures, etc.; also two trunks. All must and will be sold. J. A. McENRO & CO., Auctioneers, 900 Franklin street, Oakland; phone Red 7251. Rooms 412-413 Call Building, San Francisco; phone Main 5137. Auction sales of furniture at private homes a specialty.

POLITICS DISCUSSED IN AFFIDAVITS.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15.—Affidavits were filed in the United States Circuit Court today as follows:

MAYOR OLNEY.

"Warren Olney, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

"Replying to the charges made in the bill of complaint and in one or two affidavits filed by the complainant, implying that deponent has been influenced by political motives in the stand that he has taken in opposition

ROBERT COELET
MARRIED.
MISS ELSIE WHELAN IS THE

BRIDE.

PHILADELPHIA. June 14.—Miss Elsie Whelan, of this city, and Robert Goelet, of New York, were married today in the Church of St. Mary at Wayne, a fashionable suburb. The

The bridesmaids were Miss Alice Roosevelt, Miss Frances Griscom, Miss Adelaide Jordan, Miss Esther White Harrison, Miss Pauline Biddle, Miss Edith Bruen, cousin of the bride, of Philadelphia; Miss Marion Haven and Miss Nora Iselin, of New York.

Society was attended by Mr. Ogden Mills of New York, who acted as

best man.

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ASSURED.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH UNITED STATES SEEM TO BE VITAL

WASHINGTON, June 14—United States Consul-General Gummere, at Tangier, Morocco, today cabled to the State Department indicating that the negotiations for the release of Poudichis and Morley had not yet been completed.

It is suspected that it relates to the vexed question of a guarantee by the United States and Great Britain of immunity for Prussians and the faithful observance of the Milan promises. As a result of today's advice, officials here have changed their opinion as to the date of the release of the captives and say that several days must yet elapse

REPUBLICANS AT
CHICAGO

CHICAGO, June 17.—In-coming train brought large numbers of the Republican

The leaders have set aside discussion of the two disputed topics which will occupy the attention of all Washington critics—the abortion

JULIA MARRIOTT CLAIMS THE HOME

Julia Bacon Marlott has begun suit against her former husband Ned Marlott, and the Alameda Savings Bank for the recovery of a piece of property situated at Haight avenue and Fourth street in Alameda. She alleges that the

place of property was deeded to Marriott by Oscar Sutro at the request of her father, Frank P. Bacon, in order that Marriott could borrow sufficient money upon it to build the plaintiff home.

The Marriotts were divorced a short time ago and the plaintiff alleges that he has gone to the Philippine Island or some other part of Asia and left her with her child. She now asks that Marriott and the Alameda Bank pay any one else that may claim an interest in the child.

est come forward and show what their interests are, as she makes claim to the property, which, she says, was given Marnott by her father for her.

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SELDVIE MONEY

SELBY'S MONEY.

In the search warrant proceeding instituted by Selby brothers to recover \$1600 alleged to have been lost in

vallise on the steamer Piedmont two weeks ago. Joseph Ferro, a deckhand who is accused of taking the money was on the witness stand during the principal portion of the day. Attorney Melvin C. Chapman, on behalf of

Selby, attempted to show that Ferro who alleges that the \$1300 discovered in his home belonged to two orphans, had already expended the money and that there was no way in which he could have obtained the \$1300.

It also developed that John Lee, another deckhand accused of complicity in taking the money, is alleged to have \$300 of the money in his home. This sum, however, has not been recovered. In attempting to show that the

money does not belong to Ferro, the court records will be produced in court showing that Ferro has expended the money entrusted to him.

DIED.

CANEPA—In this city, June 13, 1901.
Agostino Canepa, beloved husband of
Angela Canepa, father of Mrs. Palitta
M. Alden, Mrs. Catherine Gamberon
Mrs. Florence Monigar and the late
Rosamond Canepa, a native of Italy,
aged 73 years.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Thursday, June 16, 1904, at 9.30 a. m., thence to St. Joseph's Church on Chestnut street, between Seventh and Eighth streets, where solemn requiem mass will be celebrated for the

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SPORTS FROM YACHT, RING AND FIELD

HOW "PETE" GOT HIS TITLE. 'VARSITY TO GAIN RECRUITS.

WHEN LOHMAN WAS YOUNG HE MADE MARVELOUS HOME RUN AND NAME. TEN STARS FROM THE ACADEMIC ATHLETIC LEAGUE WILL ENTER BERKELEY.

Now that Pete Lohman will not be seen around these diggings for many moons it may be well to consider how he found that name of Pete. It happened many years ago when baseball was in its infancy, when Anson was but a child and when Rip Van Winkle had nothing but a lucky name. From the wildwoods came a young man who thought he could play ball in a fearful and wonderful way and he secured a "job" stopping balls thrown at him in a vain and fruitless endeavor to break his face and mar his fingers. It happened way down in the Southern climes where everything grows in the good old summer time. Little Lohman, now Grandpa Pete, was at the bat and an ambitious pitcher was in the box. The grounds selected were in a backyard of an iron foundry, where scraps were the decorations of the diamond bases. Pete drew back his bat as the ball came toward him, with a terrific crash, and the ball connected with the bat and the sphere sailed over the fence and into the foundry. This was the longest home run of the season as the ball was never found. From the crowd of ardent players came the cry: "Gee! but ain't that a peach." Since those olden days when many who are not alive today were not playing the national game the word "peach" has been changed about and has now assumed the form of "Pete." In the directory there is no such name as Pete Lohman. No one who ever had any connection with the game knows Lohman by any other name. And Lohman himself when asked his real name places his hand upon his brow and says: "Pete. Just Pete. Let me rest." And so it is. When Pete Lohman, the aged old man who stops balls behind the bat, passes away into the baseball heaven he will always be remembered as Pete, pioneer and ball player.

NO RACING NEWS BY TELEPHONE.

CHICAGO, June 15.—Telephone transmission of racing news from Washington Park on Derby Day will be prohibited by the city authorities. This possible method of circumventing the police was discussed by Assistant Corporation Counsel Sexton, who has been constituted the legal adviser of the police department in its war against bookmakers at Washington Park. "As soon as we find out that racing news is being telephoned from Washington Park we will cut the wires," said Mr. Sexton. "The city is in this fight to stay and we will stop every attempt to bet on the races." "The Washington Park officials, while keeping their plans secret, are preparing for a fight." It was said by a well-known bookmaker that plans are on foot to get out an injunction against the city to prevent the police from stopping the bookmaking at the derby.

SPORTING NOTES.

Jeffries for Oakland. Naturally. This is the center of sporting life on the coast. Jack Huston is now no longer an umpire. Tom Brown has been selected to fill the void and it always was a void. The California Yacht Club will race June 10. Biddy Bishop has lost his position. He was formerly free to decide fights. Now—well, it's different. Battling Nelson is after a match with Young Corbett. It is said by sports that he will not be an "after" when the fight is over. Letter from Frankie Neil:—"Sir:—I expect to fight but I may find a reason if possible to call the match off." If Rufe Turner wants to fight he has an excellent chance with the generous challenge that Jack Clifford has handed out to him. Get out of the dark, Mr. Turner. Jeffries has water on the knee. It cannot be said that Munroe has made him take it. Notwithstanding the talk about the doing away with boxing contests at the Reliance Club it is stated by three who "know" that in the near future a bout will be pulled off between some of the cleverest professionals.

The Oakland Crescents No. 2 defeated the California No. 2 team on the San Francisco alley. Just another little help to Oakland sports.

If Battling Nelson should write a letter to Young Corbett it might be something like this: "There is a pile of mits waiting for you, for you, for you. Please write."

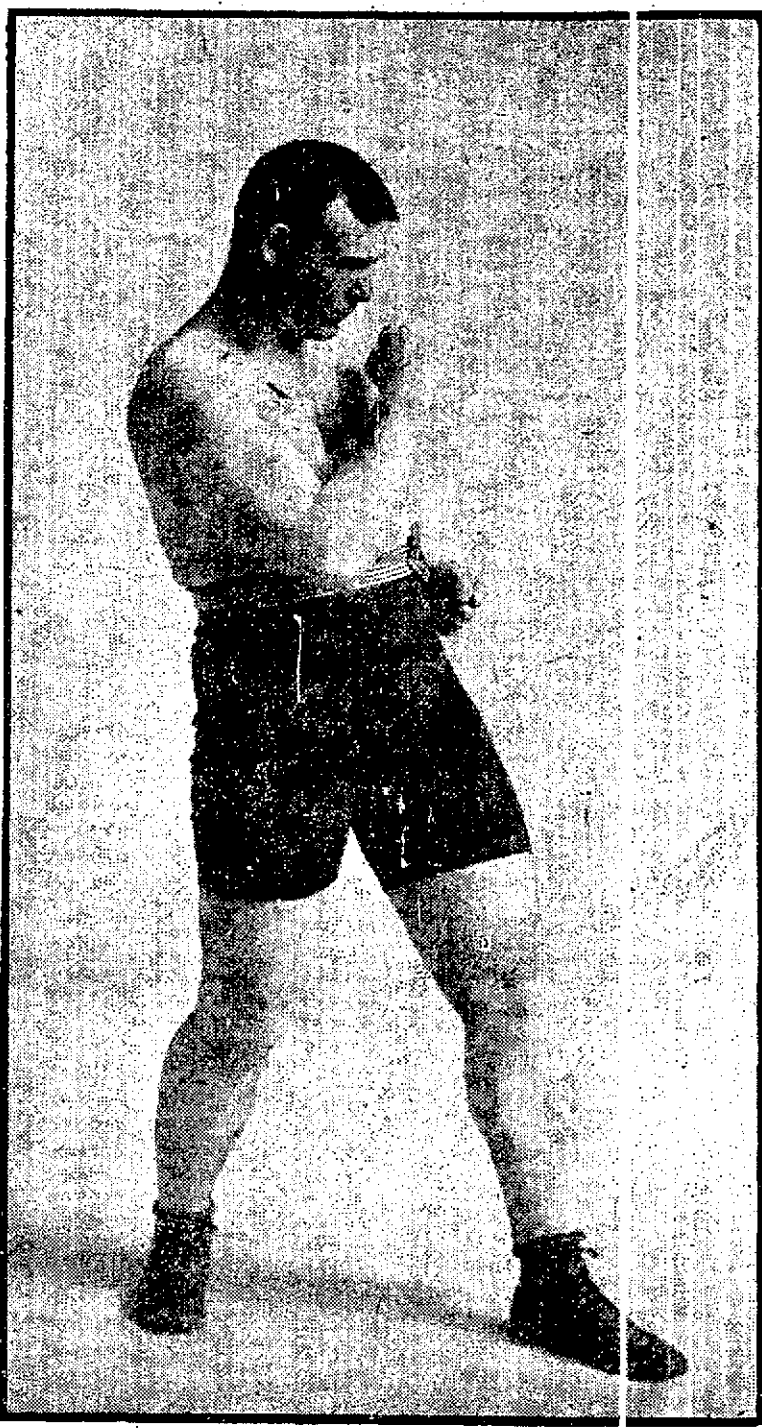
Hayes Valley Club performance tomorrow night.

MRS. ROBERTS LEAVES FOR THE FAIR.

Today Mrs. Roberts and her daughter Louise left for the fair at St. Louis. Their home on Vernon street has been closed for the summer. A fair trip through the East. Mrs. Roberts will spend the remainder of the summer in Colorado, returning to her home late in the season.

TEA

One lingers long over tea, if the tea is fine. It is a good time and place to linger.



JACK MUNROE AS HE LOOKS TODAY.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL NELSON WANTS TO MEET CORBETT. REGATTA.

YACHTSMEN ARE PREPARING FOR THE YEARLY EVENT WHICH OCCURS JUNE 19.

The regulations for annual class flag regatta, which will take place Sunday, June 19, are as follows: Tide—Low water, 9:42 a. m.; Port Point, 10:27 a. m.; club house, 11:11 a. m.; water, 4:47 p. m.; Port Point, 5:32 p. m.; club house. Course—Starting from a line drawn from the southern pierhead, Oakland broad gauge mole, to a stake-boom anchored 300 yards to the southwest, leaving same on port hand; thence to and around Alcatraz Island, leaving same on port hand; (passing Goat Island on starboard hand) thence to and around Mission Rock, leaving same on port hand; thence to starting line. The line drawn between the two light-houses at the entrance of Oakland harbor. This course is officially reckoned at eleven and three-quarters nautical miles. Start—The start will be a flying or one gun start. Preparatory gun will be fired at 11:30 a. m. and all captains will set their chronometers by that time. Starting time for Class C at 11:40 a. m.; for Class B at 11:50 a. m.; for Class A at 12 m. During the starting time each class (ten minutes) flags will be flying from the Judges' stand as follows: Class C, red flag; Class B, white flag; Class A, blue flag. Class—Yachts are divided into classes as follows: Class C, start at 11:40 a. m.; Shamrock III, Surf, Bachelor, Vega, Polingy. Class B, start at 11:50 a. m.; Jilder, Occident, Pactolus, Hazel S., Frances, Elgin, and various others. Class A, start at 12 m.; Jola, Rover, Challenge, Jessie E., Gypsy, Polingy. Owners' Cup Race—The Owners' Cup race will take place at the same time and over the same course as the class flag regatta. This will be a handicap race held on the same day. The handicap allowance of the several yachts are hereby fixed and determined as follows in minutes, to-wit: Shamrock III, allowance, 70 minutes; Mabel A., allowance, 60 minutes; Surf, allowance, 55 minutes; Bachelor, allowance, 50 minutes; Frances, allowance, 45 minutes; Vega, allowance, 45 minutes; Catherine, allowance, 32 minutes; Kite, allowance, 35 minutes; Pilgrim, allowance, 30 minutes; Occident, allowance, 34 minutes; Challenge, allowance, 31 minutes; Spray, allowance, 32 minutes; Jilder, allowance, 35 minutes; Hazel S., allowance, 35 minutes; Corsair, allowance, 30 minutes; Elthe, allowance, 20 minutes; Secret, allowance, 30 minutes; Pactolus, allowance, 22 minutes; Polingy, allowance, 25 minutes; Gypsy, allowance, 15 minutes; Rover, allowance, 15 minutes; Jessie, allowance, 10 minutes; Jola, scratch.

CRESCENT STARS WANT BALL GAME.

Another aggregation of youthful ball-players, the Crescent Stars, is out for a challenge and are ready to play any team under 18 years of age. They have a challenge and all matters pertaining to the arrangement of the match will be handled by Robert Strathairn, 1550 East Tenth street, East Oakland. The lineup of the team is as follows: Pitcher, Preston Beckwith; catcher, Robert Strathairn; shortstop, Matthew Coon; first base, Frank Morris; second base, John Budd; third base, Joe Deary; right-field, Harold Rayland; center-field, Fred Rayland; left-field, Emil Peterson; mascot, Walter Hughes.

ENTRANCE CLEARED. TOKIO, June 15.—The entrance to the harbor at Port Arthur having been cleared of obstructions, is now open for the passage of ships in and out. Yesterday the Russian protected cruiser Novik steamed out to sea and engaged with vessels of the Japanese blockading fleet. White ribbons have half-lush colored borders of deep tones, of blue, green, red or yellow and are used as sash ribbons.

RELEASES UMPIRE JEFF MAY GO TO MUNROE KEEPS RELIANCE. HUSTON. PRESIDENT BURT HAS TAKEN TOM BROWN TO DECIDE STRIKES. COFFROTH AND DELANEY THINK CHANGE WOULD DO HIM GOOD. BIG MINER WILL WORK FAITHFULLY TO THE END.

PRESIDENT BURT HAS TAKEN TOM BROWN TO DECIDE STRIKES. COFFROTH AND DELANEY THINK CHANGE WOULD DO HIM GOOD. BIG MINER WILL WORK FAITHFULLY TO THE END.

President Bert of the Pacific Coast baseball league has at last seen fit to release Huston from the ranks of the umpires. Huston will be supplanted by Tom Brown who it is said is one of the most capable men to fill the place made vacant. Brown, who was recently signed by President Burt will do his first work today when the Portland and Oakland teams meet on the diamond. Huston has not done the work that was expected of him but it is understood that his services attracted the attention of President Lucas who it is said has made an offer to Huston in behalf of the Pacific National League. Huston is said to have declined the offer as the trials of an umpire were strenuous. Brown arrived in Portland yesterday and it is expected that he will carry out the endorsement that Burt has given him in appointing him to the position.

ELKS CIRCUS A SUCCESS. LARGE AUDIENCE AT THE MACDONOUGH THEATER.

The burlesque circus given at the Macdonough Theater last evening by the Elks was a large success. Some howed and clapped their hands, others held their sides, and others wiped the tears out of their eyes. The funny stunts presented by the Smith family were surely killing. There was Eddie Smith, with a cast-iron voice; Guy Smith, with that happy smile; and Billy Smith with the tickets. Clay Hawker shone in the front row as ringmaster. Max Horwinski also did a little talking and made a few "special announcements." The side show was something never to be forgotten. Judge St. Sure made a most beautiful snake-chamber and never pulled the fangs out of a real live box constrictor. Frank Wilson, in other words, Elji Jim, looked truly handsome and rolled his eyes in very pathetic style. But, as the fat ladies never did any one look sweeter than A. G. Bell as the graceful fat lady, Pete Lynch stretched himself from six feet two to about seven feet four and was really a very ferocious-looking Zulu King. Paul Carroll, who did the Caucasian Lady had hair to burn, and some one in the audience fell so in love with her that they couldn't resist the temptation of sending her a package of Durham. Eddie Smith referred the fight between big Jim Jeffries and tiny Jack

Munroe, with Ed Fitzgerald as "Our Jim" and Billy Ramer, the belligerent, the doughty Joe. But Billy won by knocking out Eddie—that is, he hit him and Ed hunted around till he found a nice corner to lie down in so that he could comfortably wink one eye at the audience. The third spasm was the big ring show, and it opened in grand style with six beautiful princesses. Arabian steeds, then Avil and Grimm did something really fine on the rings, followed by Dave McLaughlin and Pete Sloan, who tore holes in each other for a while. Five more exhibits followed, the succession by E. A. Garin on an elephant, otherwise known as Buck Ward and Oscar Whitney; Fred Lea lifting weights; Charlie Heesman juggling, the Delvins in a loving-brother stunt, and W. L. Haskell as Madam, Belle Macaroni, queen of the arena.



Her Choicest Gift

THE JUNE BRIDE WILL APPRECIATE A GIFT OF LEATHER GOODS MORE THAN ANY THING ELSE OF LIKE VALUE. "THE OWL'S" EXCELLENT ASSORTMENT AND QUALITY WILL PLEASE ALL WHO ANTICIPATE MAKING GIFTS AND AFFORDS A SUGGESTION TO THOSE WHO ARE UNDECIDED TO GIVE. COMPARISON OF OUR VALUES WILL CONVINCE YOU THAT "THE OWL" LEADS IN STYLE, QUALITY AND PRICE. Genuine Sole Leather Suit Case TWO CLASPS AND STRAPS OVER EACH AND REGULAR \$10.00. THIS MONTH \$8.50. THE LATEST HAND BAG—"PEGGY FROM PARIS"—HAS BECOME THE MOST POPULAR OF ALL. SOME BEAUTIES FOR... \$1.25

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TEA
A trifle of tea in a dainty cup has in it a world of rest or of stimulant—what is the time o' day?

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BERKELEY

SUBURBAN NEWS

UNIVERSITY

TREES DYING.

Elms Given to Berkeley Are Uncared For.

BERKELEY June 15.—The American elm trees that were set out on Grove street between the north and south town lines are dying for want of water. A number of the trees that had been set out have died and the members of the Town and Gown Club under whose auspices the trees were planted are afraid that the remainder will die unless they are given the proper attention. The ladies of the Town and Gown Club declare that the trees are dying for want of water and that the city is neglecting its duty in not caring for the trees.

YOUNG COUPLE TO HAVE A JUNE WEDDING.

BERKELEY June 15.—A pretty June wedding will be celebrated in Saturday afternoon when Miss Marie F. Black of Chicago and Mr. Charles J. Black of Berkeley will be united in marriage at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. S. B. Black, 1414 Mission street. Miss Marie F. Black is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Black of Chicago. She is a well known young woman in Chicago and is now engaged in business in the city.

PRINCIPAL REAPPOINTED MEMBER OF COUNTY BOARD.

BERKELEY June 15.—Charles J. Riederbach, principal of the McKinley School has been reappointed a member of the County Board for the term ending November 1, 1904. His term will extend over a period of two years.

YOUNG WOMAN IS MADE FACULTY MEMBER.

Miss Edith Palmer of Los Angeles Will Assist Hugo de Vries, the Famous Botanist.

BERKELEY June 15.—Miss Edith Palmer, teacher of 50 any in the Los Angeles High School was today appointed to act as assistant during the coming summer session of the University of California to Hugo de Vries, the Amsterdam botanist whose discovery of the mutation theory has placed him in the front rank of the world's scientists and who is now at work in Berkeley to explain his far-reaching discovery to the scholars of the West. The appointment of Miss Palmer to this important position comes in recognition of the splendid work she has been doing in the South and the record she has made while studying graduate studies at the University of Berkeley from which institution she graduated in 1904.

DE VRIES' GREAT DISCOVERY. The discovery of the mutation theory or theory of sudden variation as the explanation of the origin of the human race has made Prof. de Vries one of the foremost botanists of the present time and has attracted the attention of the scientists of the world. De Vries has arrived at his great theory and at numerous deductions that he has made from this theory is the result of the observation of a number of evening primroses in a state of mutation that is in a state of their life in which they were producing new species. Thus he was the first man to see the only man who has been fortunate enough to see new species originate and this fact has enabled him to bring the result of these observations to the support of his theory.

NO MORE MISSING LINK. By means of his observation of the evening primroses specimens of which have been sent to Berkeley and are now growing in the University of California gardens Prof. de Vries has shown that the monkey and man may have

had a common ancestor but that man came by a change of species and not by gradual development. The theory of gradual development by constant selection is known as Darwin's theory and is overhauling the theory of gradual development by constant selection. Prof. de Vries has done away with all necessity for further search for the missing link for the missing link was the only thing necessary for the proof of Darwin's theory.

WHAT THE PRIMROSES PROVE. Professor de Vries' hit upon the primrose as the object of his lesson after a long search. He said Mr. Hugo de Vries has done away with all necessity for further search for the missing link for the missing link was the only thing necessary for the proof of Darwin's theory. The islands are the eye of the great commercial fishing id all that is needed is capital and will to develop the virgin resource. A little more confidence in the part of American importers and exporters for the purpose of showing the methods of cultivation of the islands will soon show that the islands are rich in resources. The valuable and important resources of the island that of fine woods has been neglected entirely by American capitalists. If instead of buying our mahogany and other rare woods in Africa and South America we could establish sawmills in the islands we could secure superior cabinet woods at a price considerably lower than what we get for now. The forest of the Philippines in 1900 was the time the cut of lumber in the United States and this may be the time when the islands will supply the world.

LEAVES TO BECOME FOLSOM'S PHYSICIAN.

BERKELEY June 15.—Dr. Charles F. Gladding will leave Thursday to assume his duties as physician at Folsom prison. At the meeting of the Town Board of Tuesday night Dr. Gladding was granted a long leave of absence as a member of the Board of Health.

STUDENT RETURNS.

T. C. Chase Finds Philippine Resources Exhaustless.

BERKELEY June 15.—Thorington C. Chase a senior in the State University has returned to Berkeley after his summer vacation in the Philippines. Mr. Chase who has been on the college of agriculture in the Philippines for the last year has returned to Berkeley with a great deal of knowledge of the resources of the islands. He has been in the Philippines for the last year and has seen the islands from the inside. He has seen the islands from the inside and has seen the islands from the inside. He has seen the islands from the inside and has seen the islands from the inside.

RUSSIAN SHIPS SIGHTED. NAGASAKI June 15 4 p m.—A Russian naval squadron was sighted off the coast of Nagasaki. The squadron consisted of the battleship "Tsesar" and the cruiser "Gromkiy". The ships were sighted by a Japanese patrol ship. The Russian ships were on their way to the Philippines. The Japanese patrol ship was on its way to the Philippines. The Russian ships were on their way to the Philippines. The Japanese patrol ship was on its way to the Philippines.

ATTEMPT MADE TO BURN FREIGHT CAR.

Lively Blaze is Discovered By Night-watchman Thompson in the Nick of Time.

BERKELEY June 15.—What appears to have been a deliberate attempt to burn a freight car in the Southern Pacific Company yards at the Berkeley depot was discovered at a moment too soon by watchman George Thompson last night. A fire was started in the freight car and the fire spread rapidly. The fire was discovered by watchman George Thompson and he called the fire department. The fire was extinguished and the freight car was saved.

Fire Chief James Kenny found that a pile of papers had been placed in a corner of the car and then ignited. Had the papers not been discovered when they were the fire would have spread to the freight car and the freight car would have been destroyed. The fire was discovered by watchman George Thompson and he called the fire department. The fire was extinguished and the freight car was saved.

THESE ARE ENJOYING SUMMER OUTINGS.

BERKELEY June 15.—Miss Lucy Ballinger of Indiana is visiting Mrs. John A. Conwell.

Dr. William Henderson, Mrs. Hattie Ames and Miss C. C. Conwell will leave Thursday on a driving trip to the Yosemite Valley.

Felipe and Victor Alencar from the sons of one of the Philippine commissioners to the Exposition will leave in a few days for St. Louis.

Mrs. Hamilton and Miss Helen Hamilton of Haste street will leave today for the St. Louis Exposition and will be joined there by Miss Amy Hamilton. After spending a few weeks at the Fair they will return to Berkeley.

Miss Helen Hamilton will join Mrs. Potwin at a party for a summer's outing at Lake Tahoe.

Mrs. Shellberger wife of F. E. Shellberger Santa Fe representative at Pittsburg Pa. left for the East on last evening's train after a month's visit with her sister Miss Helen A. Flynn and brother A. H. Flynn of North Berkeley.

WOULD CARE FOR DRUNKEN PERSONS.

BERKELEY June 15.—Acting Health Officer of the Town Board of Trustees are preparing to act on the following petition which was referred to them at the last meeting of the Board.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the City of Berkeley: We the undersigned citizens of the town of Berkeley believe that it is an exacting duty of the Board to care for the drunken persons who are a nuisance to the community.

When a person is intoxicated and is a nuisance to the community, the Board should take steps to remove the person from the community. The Board should take steps to remove the person from the community. The Board should take steps to remove the person from the community.

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SCIENTIST LEAVES.

Prof. A. M. Hall Will Study in the Sierras.

BERKELEY June 15.—Prof. A. M. Hall instructor in botany at the University of California, left Berkeley today for an extended trip into the Sierra Nevada mountains in the interest of the botany department at the University. Prof. Hall will make a thorough examination of the Sierra Nevada flora and will collect specimens for the large herbarium at Berkeley. Already this herbarium contains a magnificent collection of plant life of California and the Pacific Northwest. Prof. Hall will add many more to the thousands of varieties now on hand.

Prof. Hall will enter the mountains by way of Bishop and will spend some six weeks in collecting and studying the mountain plants. Special attention will be paid to the plant distribution in the various regions as well as to the discovery of varieties as little known or unknown to botanists.

LADIES WILL INSTALL ELECTRIC LIGHTS IN CHURCH. BERKELEY June 15.—An entertainment and dance will be given in the gymnasium of the West Berkeley College Settlement building tomorrow night by the ladies of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

A well arranged program of musical and literary selections have been arranged for the affair which will be given for the purpose of securing money to install electric lights in the church.

NEW YORK June 15.—A movement has been started in Westchester for a public demonstration July 9th in commemoration of the one hundred anniversary of the death of Alexander Hamilton who was killed in a duel by Aaron Burr. A small mobile club now in the city is planning to hold a demonstration in the city.

The promoters of the demonstration intend to illustrate a monument to replace the old one which was destroyed by the British in 1777.

HAYWARDS, SAN LEANDRO, EMERYVILLE, FRUITVALE, GOLDEN GATE

FRUITVALE NEWS ITEMS.

RELIGIOUS MEETINGS—PERSONAL MENTION AND SOCIAL NOTES.

FRUITVALE June 15.—The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church will hold a social gathering at the home of Mrs. J. B. Smith, 1214 Mission street, on Saturday evening, June 18th.

PERSONAL NOTES. Dr. J. B. Smith, 1214 Mission street, will leave for a short trip to the city on Saturday morning.

WOMEN DO POLICE DUTY. NEW YORK June 15.—Women played by the police in the present influx of immigrants in the city. The women were given the duty of checking the immigrants at the city hall.

UNDESIRABLE EMIGRANTS. NEW YORK June 15.—According to the officials at Ellis Island the present influx of immigrants in the city is unusually large proportion of undesirable. The officials are concerned about the influx of undesirable immigrants.

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SAN LEANDRO.

MISS HATTIE GODCHALK IS SOON TO BECOME A BRIDE.

SAN LEANDRO June 15.—On Wednesday June 15, one week from today, Miss Hattie Godchalk will be wed at the home of her father, Mr. J. B. Godchalk, 1214 Mission street.

MISS Godchalk is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Godchalk who conduct the L. B. Godchalk & Co. one of the oldest hardware stores in San Leandro. She is a well known young woman in the city.

BOY BREAKS ARM. Johnny Reed, an eight year old boy, fractured his right arm Monday evening while playing on the street with companions.

DEATH OF WM. CONHA. On Monday evening the body of Wm. Conha, a well known young man in the city, was found in the city. The body was found in the city.

WILL BE FINE AFFAIR. Preparations are all made for the wedding of Miss Hattie Godchalk and Mr. J. B. Godchalk. The wedding will be a fine affair.

DOES NOT AUTHORIZE SALE. WASHINGTON June 15.—The Secretary of the Interior has refused to authorize the sale of the land in the city. The Secretary has refused to authorize the sale of the land in the city.

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FORESTERS' BAND OF HAYWARDS TO PICNIC AT FERN BROOK PARK.

HAYWARDS June 15.—On July 4th the Foresters' Band of Haywards will give a picnic at Fern Brook Park. The picnic will be a picnic at Fern Brook Park.

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FORESTERS' HAVE GAY TIME.

MEET IN REGULAR SESSION TO INITIATE CANDIDATES INTO MYSTERIES.

EMERYVILLE June 15.—Last night the local lodge of Foresters met for their regular weekly meeting. There were no initiations and no candidates were initiated. The meeting was a meeting for the Foresters.

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BOY MAY MEET DEATH.

SON OF JAMES GRIFFIN THROWN FROM HORSE AND SKULL IS CRUSHED.

GOLDEN GATE June 15.—The young son of James Griffin was killed yesterday afternoon. The boy was riding on a horse and was thrown from the horse. The boy's skull was crushed.

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BELL TO WELCOME HENRY GEORGE JR.

GUARANTEES HIM EVERY PROTECTION WHILE INVESTIGATING LABOR TROUBLE.

VICTOR Gold June 15.—Reports have been made that the Hon. Henry George Jr. would come here for the purpose of looking into the labor difficulties and that the intention was to immediately arrest him. His report gained such credence that the city authorities were alarmed.

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MUCH BUILDING IN ELMHURST.

MANY NEW STRUCTURES ARE BEING ERRECTED IN THE VICINITY.

ELMHURST June 15.—Great activity is noticeable in the building industry here and from all indications there will be a considerable improvement. Arthur Odgers will shortly build a story building on Grand avenue. L. B. & A. Store are erecting three new cottages on their lot. The city is a city in the city.

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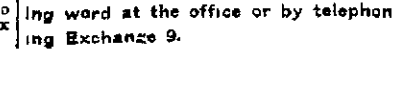
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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO VOTERS REGISTRATION

Office of the County Clerk,
Alameda County, Cal.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 53 Statutes of 1899, all voters of Alameda County must apply for re-registration in order to be able to vote at the General Election in November, as every name on Great Register was cancelled January 1st, 1904.

Owing to the fact that there is no provision of law providing assistance for the Clerk to register voters, **IT IS IMPORTANT THAT VOTERS SHOULD APPLY FOR REGISTRATION AT ONCE IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE WORK.**

Such re-registration began on the 1st day of January and will be in progress at all times until forty days preceding the next election in November.

In order to facilitate the work of re-registration, attention is called to the provisions of Section 1097 which reads as follows:

Sec. 1097. No person's name must be entered by the Clerk unless.

1. Upon the production and filing of a certified copy of the judgment of the Superior Court directing such entry to be made.
2. If a naturalized citizen, upon the production of his certificate of naturalization which certificate must be issued ninety days prior to the succeeding election, or upon his affidavit that it is lost and out of his possession, which affidavit must state the place of his nativity and the time and place of his naturalization, together with a affidavit that he has resided in the United States for five years, and in this State for one year next preceding the time of application, and that he would be an elector of the county at the next succeeding election. Provided, however, if such naturalized citizen shall have been previously registered as a qualified elector in any of the counties, or cities and counties of this State, his name may not be entered by the Clerk unless he produces a certificate of such registration, issued by the party authorized by law to issue such certificate, which certificate shall be prima facie evidence of his naturalization.
3. If born in a foreign country, upon his affidavit that he became a citizen of the United States by virtue of the naturalization of his father while he was residing in the United States, and under the age of twenty-one years, and that he is or would be an elector of the county at the next ensuing election.

In other cases, upon the affidavit of the party that he is or will be an elector of the county at the next succeeding election.

Further notice is hereby given that Affidavits of Registration must be sworn to before the County Clerk or his deputies, and that they can not, owing to the provisions of the new Registration Law, be sworn to before any other officer.

The office of the County Clerk will be, until further notice, open for registration from nine a. m. until five p. m. each day.

JOHN P. COOK,
County Clerk, Alameda
County.

Dated March 5, 1904.
(Seal)

PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Superior Court of the County of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Samuel L. Baird, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving, will, etc.

Notice is hereby given that a petition for the probate of the will of Samuel L. Baird, deceased, and for the issuance to Fred G. Baird of letters testamentary thereon has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 29th day of June, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day at the Court Room of Department No. 1 of said Court, at the Court House in the City of Oakland, in said County of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition for proving said will, and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated June 7th, 1904.

COOK, Clerk.
By A. A. Rogers, Deputy Clerk.
JORDAN TRISA* and BRANN, Attor-
neys for Petitioner, Claus Spreckel
Building, San Francisco, Calif.

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